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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 21, 2002, reconsideration is respectfully requested based on the following remarks:

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-3 are all the claims pending in the application.

**I. Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103**

Claims 1-3 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yamagishi et al (U.S. Patent No. 5,695,413) in view of Yamagishi et al (U.S. Patent No. 5,779,563). Applicant traverses these rejections for at least the reasons discussed below.

To establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness the Examiner must show that the prior art references, when combined, teach or suggest all of the claim limitations. See MPEP § 2143. Applicant respectfully submits that the references cited above by the Examiner fail to teach or suggest all of the claim limitations as set forth in the present application. Specifically, the